

BOTH ARE INDICTED

DR. CHADWICK AND WIFE ARE CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

He is on His Way Home from Paris - Will be Met in New York by the Sheriff, Who Will Have Extradition Papers Prepared.

Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his wife, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, were jointly indicted by the county grand jury at Cleveland, O., Tuesday afternoon on the charge of having forged and uttered a \$5,000,000 note signed by Andrew Carnegie. Dr. Chadwick is now on his way from Paris and is expected next Wednesday. As soon as the indictment was returned Sheriff Barry, of Cuyahoga County, made arrangements to secure Dr. Chadwick's extradition. He will meet the steamer on its arrival.

This is the third time Mrs. Chadwick has been indicted by the county grand jury, but it is the first instance of her husband's name appearing in legal proceedings in the case.

The indictments returned against Mrs. Chadwick are similar to the one voted Thursday, except that they cover notes for \$250,000 and \$500,000, signed by Andrew Carnegie.

Mrs. Chadwick was reclining on a couch in her cell in the jail when informed Thursday afternoon of the action of the grand jury. She appeared not the least concerned, and asked only if there had been anyone else indicted, mentioning the name of a person who has figured in the case to some extent. She declined to make any comment, saying: "I will do me no good to discuss my affairs in the newspapers. There has been so much misrepresentation that I have decided to do no further talking, and I am also acting on the advice of my attorney in this respect."

"There are many things which Dr. Chadwick will have to explain, and I hope he will do so," said Prosecutor Keeler. "Dr. and Mrs. Chadwick may be tried on the indictment separately or together. Each has a right to trial singly if it is desired. The Chadwick investigation, so far as this jury is concerned, is ended, but I cannot say that this concludes our inquiry into this matter. It is possible that there may be other developments."

The grand jury has spent more than two weeks in its investigation of the Chadwick affair. Mrs. Chadwick was in better health Thursday than for some time. Her only visitors are her attorneys and occasionally her son, Emil Hoover. Sheriff Barry has allowed him to see her contrary to jail rules.

PALL OVER NATION.

A Fog Causes Enormous Losses in England.

Such a complete disorganization of railroad traffic and shipping as has resulted from fog has been unknown for many years in London, Eng. The dismal pall on Thursday spread over the greater part of the kingdom, causing enormous business losses. Statisticians estimate that the losses of a single day in London alone amount to fully \$3,000.

As night closed in the density of the fog which enveloped London Thursday increased, and vehicle traffic of all kinds in the most crowded center of London was stopped. Singularly the fog was not so thick in the east end as in the west end, but within a circle of a mile, with Trafalgar square as the center, it was so opaque that foot passengers lost their way. Some of the scenes witnessed were pitiful, some ridiculous, the whole was extremely weird.

CZAR SHATTERS HOPES.

Agitation for Constitution and National Assembly is Useless.

A St. Petersburg special says: Emperor Nicholas formally notified the country Thursday that the agitation for a constitution and the convention of a national assembly is useless. Such is the construction placed upon the indorsement written in his own hand on resolutions telegraphed by the Chernigov zemstvo, begging him to convocate the legally elected members of the zemstvo to present a program of reforms for his consideration.

Miss Letter to Wed Earl.

A Washington special says: Henry Holyneux Paget Howard, earl of Suffolk and Berkshire, Thursday took out a license here to marry Miss Marguerite Hyde Leiter, daughter of Mrs. Levi Z. Leiter, in this city on the 27th inst.

Sioux City Stock Market.

Thursday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Butcher steers, \$3.25-4.25. Top hogs, \$4.45.

Four Killed in a Mine.

Four men were instantly killed and many others nearly suffocated Thursday as the result of an explosion in a coal mine at Bolivar, just east of Johnstown, Pa.

Gift Brings Death.

Mrs. Thomas E. Barnes was blown to pieces Thursday in her home in Pine Street, Detroit, Mich., by a cartridge that had been sent her by a brother, a sailor in the navy. It is supposed she accidentally struck the cartridge against the stove in such a manner it exploded.

Bodies are Recovered.

At Minneapolis the bodies of John C. Kenyon, Wm. C. Lilliblad and Wm. R. Armour have been taken from the Crocker hotel ruins.

MRS. CHADWICK IN COURT.

Attorney Mervy Allows Her to Make Appearance.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was brought into the bankruptcy court at Cleveland, O., Tuesday in the bankruptcy case against her, but was excused from testifying because of illness.

Whether Mrs. Chadwick will again be summoned will depend on counsel for Receiver Nathaniel Loser, whose attorneys are expected to take up the matter. Should Mrs. Chadwick again be brought into court it is unlikely that she will give any testimony. If she does it will be against the advice of her attorney, who refuses even to allow her to be sworn as a witness.

Mrs. Chadwick was brought into the court room by several deputy marshals. She took a seat next to the desk of Referee Remington. She was pale, but appeared in somewhat better health than on the day of her arrival from New York last week. There were about 100 persons present, including Mrs. Chadwick's nurse, Freda Swainstrom, and Emil Hoover, her son.

When the court was ready to proceed J. F. Dawley, attorney for Mrs. Chadwick, made the announcement that he would not allow her to be sworn, but had decided to have her come to court that it could not be said she was shamming illness, although he knew her to be in no condition to be summoned.

"I have not been able to carry on a connected conversation with this woman owing to her condition," said Mr. Dawley. "I am as much in the dark about her affairs as anyone."

Touching on the possibility of contempt proceedings growing out of the bankruptcy case, Attorney Dawley said, "You can send her back to jail if she is in contempt for not testifying. At night she can sleep in one cell and stay in another during the day."

Mrs. Chadwick became more nervous as the attorneys argued, and seemed on the verge of fainting. Soon after the announcement was made that she was excused, she returned to the jail in a carriage.

SEVEN LOSE LIVES.

Bodies of Victims of Minneapolis Disaster Recovered.

Early Tuesday the side wall of the Peck building, on Fifth Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn., which was left standing by the fire of last Tuesday, toppled over in a high gale onto the Crocker Hotel, a three-story structure adjoining. Tons of brick and mortar crashed down through the building, carrying the floors and all into the basement. There was no warning and the fourteen persons who were sleeping in the various apartments were caught in the crushed structure and seven of them killed.

Almost every one in the hotel was asleep when the crash came. Within a moment the entire building was wrecked, with the injured and dying people calling for help.

The fire department and a large portion of the police responded quickly and set to work rescuing the victims.

The monetary loss is about \$16,000.

OHIO BANKS CLOSE.

Two Are Forced to Suspend Because of Chadwick Exposure.

The First National Bank of Conneaut, O., and the Marine Bank, of Conneaut Harbor did not open their doors for business Tuesday.

The suspensions resulted from runs on both concerns during the past few days. Officials claim the concerns are entirely solvent and declare business will be resumed again in a short time.

Cashier Lilley, of the First National Bank, said:

"Ever since the exposure of the Chadwick matter our depositors have been withdrawing their funds. We do not hold any Chadwick paper, but there was a general feeling of unrest."

TWO KILLED; FIFTEEN HURT

Broken Rail Throws Milwaukee Train into the Ditch.

A Menominee, Mich., dispatch says: A fast Milwaukee and St. Paul train from Chicago to the copper country was wrecked Tuesday night by a broken rail at Lena, near here.

Engineer Martin Gavan and Fireman Louis Miller were killed and fifteen persons injured. The engine and two coaches were derailed and the remainder of the train derailed.

See Trouble in Balkans.

At Salonica, European Turkey, the constant arrival of munitions of war has led to a revival of the talk of the possibility of a campaign against Bulgaria. Two more shipments of munitions have arrived at Salonica from Constantinople and four more are expected shortly.

Nine Nuns Are in Peril.

Thrilling rescues by firemen of nine nuns, Sisters of the Hotel Dieu, Chicago, marked the progress of a fire that swept through their convent and destroyed it Tuesday. Two of the nuns were injured. The stairs fell before the sisters could reach them.

Sevastopol Seriously Damaged.

Observations taken at Port Arthur Tuesday showed the Russian battleship Sevastopol to be listing 10 degrees, probably as the result of the last Japanese torpedo attacks.

Big Philadelphia Fire.

The large three-story building at No. 919 and 921 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, occupied by about half a dozen business concerns, has been totally destroyed by fire, entailing a loss estimated at \$200,000.

Rebels Are Successful.

A cablegram received at the state department at Washington from the acting American consul at Acunacion, Paraguay, states the revolution has been successful and peace has been proclaimed.

A TALK BY THE GOVERNOR.

Japanese Expect to Take Port Arthur Soon.

The London Telegraph's Che Foc correspondent says that the steamer Lady Mitchell, which sailed from Tsingtau with supplies, ammunition and dynamite, reached Port Arthur during a snow storm four nights ago. He says also it is reported that the Japanese were compelled to evacuate their position on Elz mountain owing to a banking fire from other forts and the explosion of Russian mines, from which they lost heavily.

The Japanese, the correspondent adds, are employing thousands of coolies in making strong forts at Dalny and around Port Arthur. They express a determination to capture Port Arthur before the Chinese new year. An attack is preparing that will be on a hitherto unequalled scale, and it will mean either success or terrible disaster to the besiegers.

The correspondent concludes by stating that it is said that Gen. Nogi has asked for 60,000 reinforcements from Japan.

Advices from headquarters of the Japanese third army before Port Arthur, Dec. 21, state that the capture of the north fort on east Kekwan mountain by the Japanese is of much importance, because it opens a way up the gorge to the highest hills and will render easier the capture of the mountain.

St. Petersburg military critics do not attach vital importance to the capture of the north fort of Kekwan mountain. They declare it is not part of the main line of defenses of Port Arthur, and therefore is without direct influence on the fate of the fortress.

CRYING FOR WATER.

Severe Drought in Western Part of Pennsylvania.

Dispatches from western Pennsylvania are to the effect that industrial activity in many centers is threatened on account of the protracted drought. Unless conditions change soon it is possible thousands of men may be thrown out of employment in the mills, mines and coke fields. This has been the longest drought and the driest year, according to the records, for that section since 1871.

Officials of railroads east of Pittsburgh are experiencing great difficulty in keeping their tanks supplied.

In towns along the Pennsylvania Railroad the various water companies have ordered all bath tubs shut off.

INFLUX OF IMMIGRANTS.

All Records to be Broken During Present Fiscal Year.

A Boston special says: The prediction that the fiscal year ending in June, 1905, will see the greatest influx of immigrants into the United States which the country has yet seen was made by the commissioner general of immigration, F. F. Sargent, who made an official inspection of the local station, Mr. Sargent said that the coming immigrants are showing a notable deficiency in desirable qualities for would-be citizens of the country, while inferior morally and physically, while financially they are almost paupers.

MYSTERY IN DEATH.

Relatives of Bank Director Will Not Tell the Cause.

A St. Louis dispatch says: Henry D. Meyer, Jr., one of the directors of the St. Charles Savings Bank, the cashier of which, Anton N. Eispagel, was recently found to be over \$78,000 short in his accounts, is dead, aged 43 years.

Relatives declined to say where his death had occurred or the cause. Meyer had worried very much ever since the shortage was discovered.

Prof. Budd Dies in Texas.

A dispatch has just been received at Ames, Iowa, telling of the death of Prof. J. L. Budd, at San Antonio, Tex. The cause of his death is supposed to have been consumption. Prof. Budd was one of the best and widest known horticulturists in the State of Iowa. Through twenty-two years of experience as professor of horticulture at the Iowa State College he was known from coast to coast.

Fireman is Killed.

An engine of a southbound Burlington passenger train from Omaha for Kansas City jumped the track at Beverly, Mo., Wednesday and turned over. Peter Calcott, of St. Joseph, Mo., a fireman, was killed. None of the passengers were injured.

Washington Club House Burns.

The Metropolitan club house, famous as the home of men prominent in social and official life at Washington, D. C., was completely gutted by fire Wednesday. The loss is estimated at from \$60,000 to \$100,000.

More Troops for Far East.

St. Petersburg advices state that mobilization of the reserves is announced in several military districts. This is the third and most extensive mobilization of the war and will add about 200,000 men to the army in the far east.

Bishop Pheelan Dead.

Rt. Rev. Richard Pheelan, bishop of the Roman Catholic diocese of Pittsburgh, Pa., died Tuesday, aged 76. He was born in County Kilkenny, Ireland, Jan. 1, 1828. He came to the United States in 1850, and was ordained a priest in 1854.

Colorado Potatoes for Ireland.

At Greeley, Colo., Mayor H. C. Watson has issued a call for a mass meeting on Saturday next to consider a proposition to donate a large quantity of potatoes to the starving poor of Ireland. Similar meetings will be held at Longmont and Fort Collins.

Hay Memorial Chapel Burns.

At Simsbury, Conn., the Hay memorial chapel, given in memory of his son Adelbert, by Secretary Hay, burned Wednesday. The loss is \$12,500.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Bernard McGreevy Caught—Fugitive Banker Arrested at Phoenix, Arizona—Agrees to Come Back to Nebraska and Face the Music.

A Lincoln State Journal special from Phoenix, Ariz., says: Bernard McGreevy, fugitive president of the failed Elkhorn Valley Bank, of O'Neill, Neb., was arrested here Sunday. McGreevy disappeared from O'Neill along with Cashier Hagerty late in November, and as it is alleged he had been speculating in Arizona mining property officers here were warned to be on the lookout for him. He was arrested at the City Hall plaza and a deed to Mrs. Sarah McGreevy to some Pinal County mines was found on his person.

McGreevy confessed his identity and said he would return to Nebraska without an extradition.

An O'Neill special states that Bernard McGreevy, the defaulting president of the suspended Elkhorn Valley Bank, of O'Neill, who has been captured in Phoenix, Ariz., is held in jail there, awaiting the arrival of an officer from Nebraska. The sheriff has gone to Lincoln to secure requisition papers from Gov. Mickey to bring McGreevy back to stand trial on the charge of embezzling public funds.

McGreevy was city treasurer and treasurer of the school district.

McGreevy made a statement Monday in which he places the blame for the bank's collapse on Patrick Hagerty, the cashier.

"I was president in name only," said McGreevy. "In reality I was merely a bookkeeper. Whatever Hagerty said went. I did not know of Hagerty's flight until I was arrested. Coming to Arizona was the worst thing I did. I knew two months before Thanksgiving the bank could not hold out much longer."

McGreevy wept when he told of his family being alone and ill. He had \$10 in his possession and \$1,000 on deposit in the Phoenix National Bank when arrested.

MURDER MATTER IS DROPPED

No Further Investigation to be Made by the State Authorities.

Notwithstanding that the only evidence that an insane patient at the state asylum killed W. F. McCartney, is the statement of the insane murderer and the fact that the two men were supposed to be alone in the ward at the time of the murder, it is very probable that no further investigation will be made into the matter by the state board of public land and buildings. The reason for this is that Frank McCartney, brother of the dead man was called to Lincoln at the time of the murder and expressed himself as being satisfied with the statement of the insane man.

While the circumstances point to the death of McCartney at the hands of Dr. Amcott, as given out by the superintendent of the institution, no one there has yet figured out how the murder could have occurred. Each man had his hands tied down in front of him, strapped to his waist, so that neither could raise his hands.

Coil Gets a Pardon.

Gov. Mickey Tuesday commuted the sentence of George Coil, from Dawes County, sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years for murder. Coil was tried twice and both times received the same sentence. It was Westley, who was on the bench and heard the case, recommended that he be given his liberty at the end of five years. This time is about up.

A Turtle Harvest.

Lew Wischmeyer, who is in charge of a fishing resort at Nebraska City, killed 72 large turtles in one day last week by spearing them through the ice. The turtles weighed between twenty and thirty pounds each. They congregated in the shallow water near the shore and were catching small bass and crappies. He cut a small hole in the ice above the turtles and speared them with a rod and then cut the ice around them and killed them.

Husks Twenty Acres a Day.

Methods of corn husking in the west are to be completely revolutionized according to M. D. Hatch, of Lincoln, who has invented a device for husking corn, taking two rows, whether the stalks are standing erect or lying upon the ground. In a thorough test of the device it was found that twenty acres a day can easily be husked by the machine, which is attached to a team and drawn through a field.

Letter of the Law Enforced.

Jesse P. Beaver, a real estate and insurance agent and notary public of Beatrice, was fined \$75 in the United States court for affixing his jurat to a pension affidavit in the case of one Will Staker, of Beatrice, when he had not personally seen the witnesses sign the affidavit, although they were personally known to him and he was familiar with their signatures.

Retires from the Field.

The American Sugar Beet Company has decided to retire from the raising and buying of beets in the Republican valley with the present season, leaving the Standard Sugar Beet Company in possession of the entire field. The arrangement is mutual, and a similar one obtains in the North Platte country.

Lost His Arm.

While tending a cornsheller for Chas. Hildebrand, northwest of Ashland, William Duff's arm was caught in the machinery and before the engine could be stopped the arm was so badly mangled that it was necessary to partly amputate it.

Dennison Sues for Libel.

Tom Dennison, the well known sporting man, who is accused of being involved in the Pollock diamond robbery, has sued the Omaha Daily News for \$50,000 libel in the report of a speech made by Elmer Thomas, of the Civic Federation.

Holden Arrives at Pen.

Billy Holden, convicted of the attempted murder of Bank Cashier Bernard Schroeder of Platte Center and the robbery of the bank, was taken to Lincoln. He is about 35 years of age and came from Michigan.

BANKER GIVES UP \$25,000

Funds of O'Neill Bank Not All Disputed.

A special from Phoenix, Ariz., says: Startling revelations were made here Wednesday by Bernard B. McGreevy, the fugitive O'Neill, Neb., banker. Capt. McDonald, the arresting officer, learned from a reliable source that McGreevy had an engagement to meet Patrick Hagerty, the missing cashier of the bank, in this city the day of McGreevy's arrest. He says, also, that a third person, hitherto entirely unsuspected, is operating hand in hand with McGreevy and Hagerty from the Nebraska end of the line.

In the face of these developments McGreevy who has hitherto maintained that if there was any money missing it was the fault of Hagerty, Wednesday admitted that he was in possession of funds that might help to extricate him from his share of blame. Going further, he actually placed in McDonald's hands a personal bank receipt for \$25,000 of the missing money, and told him that he could at once place his hands on at least \$15,000 more once they arrived at O'Neill. That the bank was short \$65,000 he emphatically denies.

"I was bookkeeper, and I ought to know," he maintained.

McGreevy insists that \$10,000 of the Elkhorn Valley Bank's money is perfectly safe.

BOLD ROBBERY IN OMAHA.

Thieves Secure Diamonds and Jewelry Valued at \$1,000.

Bold robbers cut a small hole in the plate glass window of Henry Copley's jewelry store, located near Sixteenth and Furness Streets, Omaha, early Sunday and stole diamonds and jewelry, the value of which Mr. Copley estimates at \$1,000.

The robbery occurred at 6 o'clock Sunday morning, an hour when patrolmen are changing shifts. The robbers used a diamond glass cutter and removed a piece of glass four inches square, through which they could put their arm. No trace of the robbers has been secured.

NEBRASKA WINS CASE.

Federal Supreme Court Decides a Boundary Case.

The supreme court at Washington, D. C., Monday decided the boundary case between the states of Missouri and Nebraska in favor of the State of Nebraska.

The case involved a question as to whether a change of the course of the Missouri River had the effect of changing land which had heretofore been on the west side of the river to the east side of the river from the jurisdiction of Nebraska to the jurisdiction of Missouri, but the court held that it did not.

Kelly Held for Assault.

At Harrisburg the preliminary hearing of John B. Kelly, charged with assault with intent to murder James C. Grant, a neighboring ranchman, came up for hearing before County Judge Hoke, Dec. 17. On behalf of the state, testimony was introduced sufficient to bind Mr. Kelly over to the next term of the district court in the sum of \$1,000.

Sneakthief Gets a Watch.

A sneak thief stole a watch and fob belonging to Ed Morse, one of the proprietors of the auditorium at Fremont, of the value about \$60. The watch was in his vest, which was hanging in the front room of the shop, and as a good many regular customers and others were in and out during the time there is no clue to follow.

Statue Comes to Lincoln.

Secretary of the World's Fair commission called on Gov. Mickey Tuesday and recommended that the statue presented to the state be brought to Lincoln and given a place in the state house. The expense will be about \$100, and Gov. Mickey readily gave his consent and approval of the scheme.

Sheriff Goes For McGreevy.

Sheriff Hall, of O'Neill, has just received word that Bernard McGreevy, president of the failed Elkhorn Valley Bank, was captured recently at Phoenix, Ariz., and is held there. Sheriff Hall left for Phoenix at once with the necessary papers to bring McGreevy back to Holt County.

Suicide Ends Debauch.

Orien Porter, postmaster at Fairfax, S. D., arrived in Omaha Saturday to take charge of the remains of his brother, Perl Porter, who killed himself in a resort there. An inquest was held and the body was taken to Fairfax for burial. No motive for the suicide can be assigned other than remorse following a season of dissipation. Porter was 37 years of age.

Jury Acquits Woman.

Mrs. Kemp Powell was charged with an attempt to murder her husband by shooting him with a revolver at their home five months ago, inflicting a dangerous wound. The case has created considerable interest and the trial has been of a sensational character. After being out all night the jury at Wayne brought in a verdict of not guilty for the defendant.

Count Gets Out of Pen.

Julius Count, supposed to be a Russian nobleman, will be released from the penitentiary the first of January. The count forged a check that Rome Miller cashed at the Millard Hotel in Omaha, and it was for this that he was sent to the penitentiary for one year. He secured three months' good time.

Fourteen Years for Holden.

William Holden, who was convicted at Columbus last week of attempted murder, was sentenced by Judge Rowder Saturday afternoon to fourteen years in the penitentiary at Lincoln at hard labor. When asked if he had anything to say Holden stood mute before the court, but Judge Albert, his attorney, made an appeal for him.

Judgment for Dead Mules.

William Fulbrick, of Talmage, was given judgment in the county court Saturday afternoon against the Missouri Pacific Railway Company for \$320. The plaintiff sued for damages for the loss of a team of mules, killed by an engine on a crossing.

Store Entered and Robbed.

The general store of E. A. Felzien, at Heartwell, ten miles west of Minden, had been broken into sometime Sunday night, and somewhere in the neighborhood of \$200 worth of goods taken.



In his biennial report to Gov. Mickey Warden Beemer, of the state penitentiary thanks the legislature for what they did for the institution two years ago and makes a suggestion for the coming legislature. That suggestion is to change section 32, chapter lxxvii of the compiled statutes, providing for the punishment of anyone connected with the penitentiary who smuggles in letters or anything, but who are not connected with the institution. Mr. Beemer said he had apprehended several parties smuggling in opium to the prisoners, but as there was no law by which they could be punished, nothing could be done with them. Two years ago the inmates numbered 918. There has been admitted 312; 21 have been discharged, 29 paroled and 184 have died. While this last number seems large it is about the average of other bienniums and is not considered a high percentage when the nature of the inmates is considered. There are now in the institution 987 inmates.

Adj. Gen. Culver and members of the governor's staff will meet this week to arrange a program incident to the inauguration of Gov. Mickey and the other state officers. It has already been decided that the reception will be held in the senate chamber, where all may pass by and give the glad hand to the incoming officers and console the outgoing ones. Then the line will take up its march, headed by Gov. and Mrs. Mickey, to representative hall, where refreshments will be served and where the social part of the evening, stripped of its formality, will be carried out. Because there is to be a march, no sign there will be a dance following and persons who anticipate a dance will be disappointed, for there will be none. This is the official announcement of the men in charge of the affair.

The rumor going the rounds of the state house that Gov. Mickey intended to present certificates of appointment to those people he intends to appoint or re-appoint for a Christmas present will be materialized unless the governor changes his mind. Saturday morning he said he thought he would not make any appointments before Christmas, and that as a matter of fact he was not worrying about his appointments as much as he did two years ago. He knows the work of his old appointees, and will be able to act on these without asking for recommendations. It is generally believed that all of the heads of state institutions will remain, as the reports that have been sent in for the biennium show well.

State Architect Tyler has reported to the state board of public lands and buildings what his office has done and what it has cost the state since a year ago last June, when he was appointed. He has supervised the erection of buildings and repairs on buildings at a cost of \$274,426.38, whereas if an architect had been employed it would have cost the state \$13,571.21, showing the advantage of having a state architect on a salary. His salary up to this time, which he has not yet received, amounts to \$3,923.64; that of an assistant, \$1,648.89; and that of a stenographer \$1,190. The total cost of his office, including the purchase of office supplies, amounts to \$8,004.68.

The biennial report of Edward A. Church, state inspector of oils, filed with Gov. Mickey, shows that this department has been a pretty good investment for the state. During the time he has been in office Mr. Church has turned into the state treasury \$16,520.18. He and his deputies have inspected 389,544 barrels of oil and gasoline, for which a total of \$38,954.40 was charged. The total expenses incurred amounted to \$22,007.27. Mr. Church still has on hand in cash \$426.65. For a portion of the past biennium Ed Hayes was oil inspector and he turned into the treasury \$1,144.42, making a total of \$17,664.59 that has been realized for the state during the two years.

Attorney General Prout has received answers from many of the county attorneys to his invitation sent out some days ago for a conference to be held at Lincoln to discuss a plan of procedure against the railroads in their tax injunction suit. Nearly all of those attorneys who have received invitations have announced their intention to come, while a few have sent in regrets.